

# UNITED KINGDOM

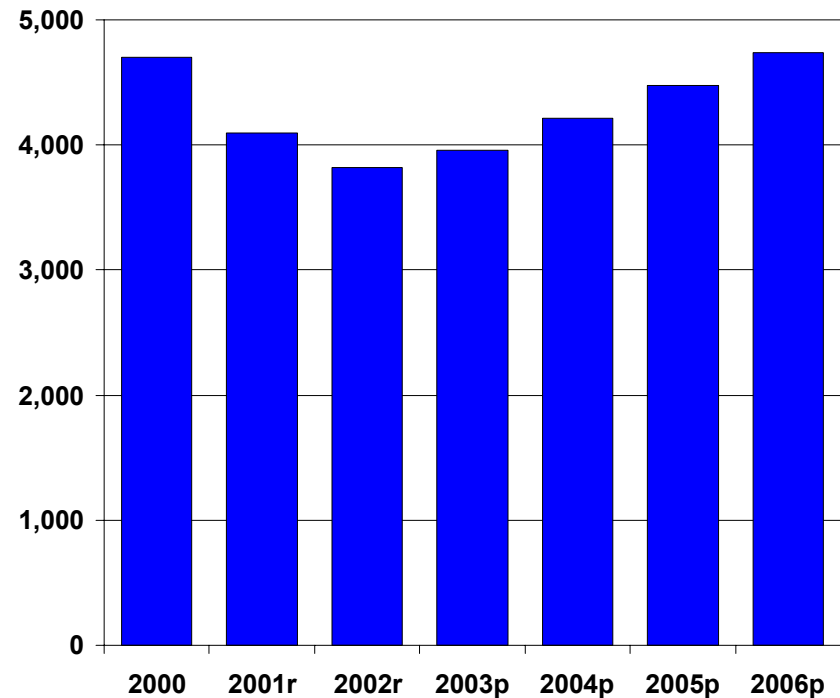
## ECONOMIC NEWS

The economy has weathered the downturn relatively well and the recovery should compare favorably with that of other major European countries. Strong household demand has been supported by low interest rates and rising housing wealth.

## TOURISM NEWS

The U.K. is expected to remain the top overseas market to the U.S. Growth prospects from the U.K. market will continue to outpace other overseas markets, with arrivals surpassing 2000 levels by 2006.

**UK Travelers to the US**



**SOURCE: US Dept of Commerce, ITA, Office of Travel & Tourism Industries**